Matthews, 1976; H. Morton Rosen, 1977.

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The Maryland Home Improvement Commission, established by Chapter 133, Acts of 1962, consists of five members appointed by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation for four-year terms. Two members must be from the construction industry, one from the field of finance and two from the general public. The Commission licenses and regulates contractors and salesmen in the home improvement industry, investigates complaints filed by howeowners against improvement companies and takes administrative actions where violations of the law are found (Code 1957, 1972 Repl. Vol., Art. 56, secs. 245-269).

 Appropriations
 1973
 1974

 General Funds
 \$101,133
 \$117,960

 Staff: 6.

## BOARD OF INSPECTION OF HORSE RIDING STABLES

Chairman: Douglas T. Chilcoat, 1976 Edwin H. C. Browne, 1976; Virginia B. Thackery, 1976.

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The Board of Inspection of Horse Riding Stables was created by Chapter 474, Acts of 1968. The Board consists of three members appointed by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation for four-year terms. One member must be a duly qualified and licensed veterinarian and one member must be an officer of a County Humane Society. The Board selects its own Chairman. All members serve without compensation.

The Board makes all necessary rules and regulations for the proper performance of their duties. It also provides for the filing of applications for licenses and makes rules and regulations for the qualifications of applicants. The Board may designate officers of County Humane Societies, Societies for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and Licensed Veterinarians to act as its agent and to make routine inspections. Such agents serve without pay.

The Board is empowered to license all horse riding stables where one or more horses or ponies are let for hire to be ridden or driven, either with or without the furnishing of riding or driving instructions, and Sales Barns, including all establishments where horses are sold, including Auction Barns (Code 1957, 1972 Repl. Vol., Art. 56, secs. 128-130D).

| Appropriations | 1973      | 1974    |
|----------------|-----------|---------|
| Special Funds  | . \$3,470 | \$3,041 |

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